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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S USE OF
DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL
AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC HEALTH FOUNDATION ENTERPRISES, INC.,
AND THE GRANT AWARD WITH L.A. CARE HEALTH PLAN FOR THE
TOBACCO CONTROL AND PREVENTION PROGRAM**

This is to advise you that the Department of Public Health is exercising its delegated authority, as approved by your Board: 1) September 19, 2006 to offer and sign a temporary personnel services agreement with Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Inc. (PHFE) to provide for various temporary personnel services projects with various terms based on each project effective October 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, with provisions for 3 one-year automatic renewals through June 30, 2010, to increase or decrease any approved temporary personnel services agreement in an amount not to exceed 25 percent of the original maximum obligation; and 2) September 18, 2007 to accept and sign any amendments to L.A. Care Health Plan Grant that extend the term, rollover unused funds, increase or decrease future funds by an amount not to exceed 25 percent of the base award, both subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office and notification to the Board offices.

The initial L.A. Care grant award was approved on September 18, 2007 for the period of October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. The Department is requesting to amend the grant award to extend the term for an additional six months at no additional cost, effective September 30, 2008 through March 29, 2009. This allows the Department's Tobacco Control and Prevention Program to continue to participate in the Tobacco Cessation Initiative (TCI) project which increases access and utilization of effective smoking cessation treatments to actively target Medi-Cal and uninsured populations.

Amendment Number 1 to the Temporary Personnel PHFE Agreement allows the project coordinator to continue to support the TCI project.

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County Counsel has reviewed and approved the L.A. Care authorization letter and the Temporary Personnel Services Amendment as to form.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisor